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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Please kindly amend the above-referenced patent application as follows. Applicants respectfully request entry of this Amendment.

In the Specification

Please add the paragraph beginning at page 1 after the title with the following paragraph:

-Cross Reference to Related Application

This application claims benefit of U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/243,913, filed October 27, 2000, which application is incorporated herein by reference.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 6, line 21, with the following rewritten paragraph:

--Figure 7 shows an amino acid sequence of recombinant human TPO (SEQ ID NO:13).--

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